

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
BRYSON CITY DIVISION  
2:11 CR 25**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,</b>	)	
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<b>Vs.</b>	)	<b>ORDER</b>
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<b>STEVEN CHRISTOPHER ARCHER.</b>	)	
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**THIS CAUSE** came on to be heard and being heard before the undersigned at the close of a Rule 11 proceeding that was held before this court on October 18, 2011. It appearing to the court at the call of this matter on for hearing the defendant was present with his attorney, Frank Lay and the government was present and represented through Assistant United States Attorney Corey Ellis. From the arguments of counsel for the defendant and the arguments of the Assistant United States Attorney and the records in this cause, the court makes the following findings:

**Findings.** On September 28, 2011 a bill of information was issued charging the defendant with engaging or attempting to engage in a sexual act with another person who had attained the age 12 years but not attained the age of 16 years and who was at least four years younger than the defendant, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2243(a) and 1152. On October 18, 2011, the undersigned held an inquiry, pursuant to Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and accepted a plea of guilty of the defendant to that charge. At the end of the Rule 11 proceeding this court presented

the issue of whether or not the defendant should now be detained, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3143(a)(2).

**Discussion.** 18 U.S.C. § 3143(a)(2) provides as follows:

(2) The judicial officer shall order that a person who has been found guilty of an offense in a case described in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of subsection (f)(1) of section 3142 and is awaiting imposition or execution of sentence be detained unless ----

(A)(i) the judicial officer finds there is a substantial likelihood that a motion for acquittal or new trial will be granted; or

(ii) an attorney for the Government has recommended that no sentence of imprisonment be imposed on the person; or

(B) the judicial officer finds by clear and convincing evidence that the person is not likely to flee or pose a danger to any other person or the community.

From an examination of the records in this cause, it appears the defendant has now entered a plea of guilty to an offense described under 18 U.S.C. § 2243. That crime is one of the crimes that is referenced under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(1)(A).

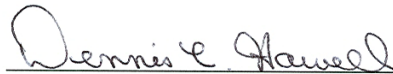
The undersigned made an inquiry of Assistant United States Attorney Corey Ellis as to whether or not there was going to be a recommendation that no sentence of imprisonment be imposed upon defendant. Mr. Ellis advised the court that such a recommendation could not be made in this matter. The undersigned cannot find there is a substantial likelihood that a motion for acquittal or new trial will be granted due to the fact that defendant has now entered a plea of guilty.

It would thus appear and the court is of the opinion that the court is required to apply the factors as set forth under 18 U.S.C. § 3143(a)(2) which require the detention of defendant.

**ORDER**

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED**, that defendant be detained pending sentencing or further proceedings in this matter.

Signed: October 24, 2011

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Dennis L. Howell  
United States Magistrate Judge

